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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of )  
IRICK JR. *et al.* )  
Serial No.: 09/662,965 ) Group Art Unit: 1712  
Confirmation No.: 3021 ) Examiner: Short, P.  
Filed: September 15, 2000 )  
For: "METHODS FOR SLOWING THE )  
DEGRADATION RATE OF )  
BIODEGRADABLE POLYMERS AND )  
BIODEGRADABLE POLYMER )  
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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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April 24, 2002

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that an extension of time for the period indicated below be granted in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136 to take action required in the application identified in the caption, as reflected by the papers submitted herewith:

<u>X</u>	One Month	\$110.00	(\$ 55.00)*
<u>110.00 00</u>	Two Months	\$400.00	(\$200.00)*

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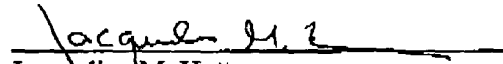
_____	Three Months	\$920.00	(\$460.00)*
_____	Four Months	\$1,440.00	(\$720.00)*
_____	Five Months	\$1,960.00	(\$980.00)*

\* Small Entity

The amount of \$110.00 is to be charged to a credit card and such payment if authorized by the signed, enclosed document entitled: Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038. This amount is believed to be correct; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0629.

Respectfully submitted,

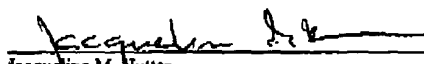
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